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Application Number	10/688,869
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Art Unit	
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<b>Remarks</b> Per my telephone conversation with Ms. Valerie Kennard, Initial Patent Examination Manager, on 2/3/05, I am again enclosing a copy of the original patent to be amended which includes the drawings, as well as a copy of the original amended specification and claim submitted with the Reissue Patent Application on 10/10/03.		

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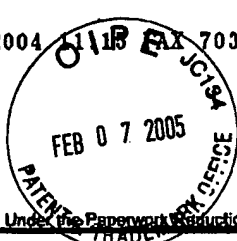
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL

## for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**385.00**

## Complete If Known

Application Number **10/688,869**  
 Filing Date **10/20/03**  
 First Named Inventor **REY ZABAT MENDOZA**  
 Examiner Name **JOSEPH MOY, GROUP 3727**  
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1001 770	2001 385	Utility filing fee	
1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
1003 530	2003 265	Plant filing fee	
1004 770	2004 385	Reissue filing fee	385.00
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## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims  -20\*\* =  X  =   
 Independent Claims  -3\*\* =  X  =   
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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204 88	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

## 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	2053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	21812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	21804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,640*	21805 1,640*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 850	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	2451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 480	2502 240	Design issue fee	
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1460 130	2460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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## SUBMITTED BY

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 Signature *Rey Mendoza* Date **2/18/04**

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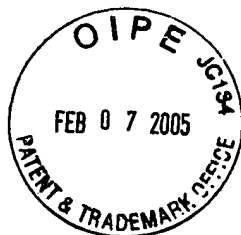


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10/688,869	10/20/2003	Rey Zabat Mendoza	

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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REISSUE APPLICATION

## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has NOT been accorded to the above identified application papers for the reason(s) indicated below.

All of the items noted below and a newly executed oath or declaration covering the items must be submitted within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise indicated, or proceedings on the application will be terminated (37 CFR 1.53(e)).

The filing date will be the date of receipt of all items required below, unless otherwise indicated. Any assertions that the item(s) required below were submitted, or are not necessary for a filing date, must be by way of petition directed to the attention of the Office of Petitions accompanied by the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)). If the petition states that the application is entitled to a filing date, a request for a refund of the petition fee may be included in the petition.

- The specification is missing. *Submitted with the Reissue Patent Application on 10/8/03. Another copy is attached with specification and claim.*
  - The specification does not include at least one claim. *A complete specification as prescribed by 35 U.S.C. 112 is required.*
  - The application was deposited without drawings. 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence) requires a drawing "where necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented." *Applicant should reconsider whether the drawings are necessary under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence).*
- A copy of patent 6481591 was + is again attached with the drawings.*

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this reissue application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

- The statutory basic filing fee is insufficient. *Paid 2/24/04*  
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**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$346** for a Small Entity

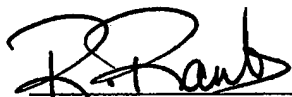
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Per my telephone conversation with Ms. Valerie Kennard, Initial Patent Examination Manager, on February 3, 2005, I am again enclosing a copy of the original patent to be amended which includes the drawings, as well as a copy of the original amended specification and claim submitted with the Reissue Patent Application on October 10, 2003.

I am an independent inventor and am not familiar with the processing of patent applications and timeframe. Request expedite subject application. Please let me know if there is anything else you need in order to obtain a filing date. I can be reached at work 202-266-4475 x7012, home 703-830-7923.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Rey Z. Mendoza

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